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To Mrs. CLIVE.

Madam,

WHEN a *Lady* enters the Liſts of a *Paper-war*, an Antagoniſt of the *contrary Sex* muſt make but an *ill Figure*; for whatever Proof he may give of the *Juſtice of his Argument*, he will give but little of his *Manners*, by keeping the Controverſy up.

This conſideration, Madam, made me decline anſwering yours, but *ſome late Epiſtles* in the Papers having been publiſhed, to continue the Diſpute of the BEGGAR'S OPERA, *make this Letter neceſſary.*

Nor is this Epiſtle wrote as a controverſial Diſpute, but only, with *humble Deference*, to adjuſt *ſome Errors your* late *Letter* to the Publick *contained*, and which rather from your *Warmth* in writing, and your *perſonal Concern*, than from any want of Diſcernment of the Facts, have inadvertently ſliped from your Pen: And the *Town*, to whom I ſhall always pay the *greateſt regard* and *deference* will, I hope, *excuſe* it; when it is meerly to *do Juſtice* to one of *your own Sex*, who in the moſt tender manner ought to be dear to me.

You profeſs yourſelf, *Madam*, wholly ignorant of the Author of a *Letter* inſerted in the *Gazeteer* of November the 4th: which *Letter* did *firſt* make publick any Diſpute about the caſt of the BEGGAR'S OPERA, and (as you know) was not only falſe in regard to the ſtate of the Caſe, but unjuſtly reflected on the Manager, who had behaved in it with Impartiality. If ſome *unknown Friend* from a *falſe Zeal* to *you* brought this Conteſt from *behind* the *Scenes* to make the Diſpute publick, it is to *him*, and *him* only you are obliged for being put under any *neceſſity* of *appearing in print:* whether Mrs. CIBBER's being thought *proper* for the Part of *Polly* was to have out-ballanced your *Claim*; or whether your *Claim* was to have ſet aſide the *Manager's* undoubted *Right*, would have ſtill been the Diſcourſe only of the *Green Room*, if the *Letter* of your *unknown Friend* had not made it a very important Point; and threatned to have drawn on the *Director* of the *Theatre* the publick *Reſentment* of the *Town:* which *Reſentment* muſt in reality have fell, as it was *cruelly intended*, on an *innocent*, *inoffenſive* Woman, who *never asked for the Part of* POLLY, who *does not at preſent deſire it*, nor (*without the greateſt Reluctance and Terror*) can ever accept it, unleſs Mrs. CLIVE thought proper to make a voluntary reſignation of it in a friendly manner. To ſet aſide the falſe inſinuations of your Friend's *Letter*; an *Anſwer* to it was publiſhed ſigned A. Z. and though you ſeem diſpleaſed at the *length* of it, a ſtrict regard to the *Force* and *Juſtice* of the *Letter* in the *Gazeteer* made that neceſſary: but give me leave to ſay, *Madam*, the *Letter* ſigned A. Z. had not the leaſt *Falſhood* nor *Scurrility*, nor was ever meant to draw any *Indignation* of the Publick on *you*; it was only to *prevent* any *Indignation* which might ariſe from *falſe Repreſentations* falling on one who might not any way deſerve it; nor have you any reaſon to think that there is any one perſon would wiſh to *drive* you from the Stage, when in proper characters you add ſo much reputation to it.

As for your Injuries at the Play houſe, I know of none, nor till now have I heard of any: If any were given, (be they what they will) you need not have waited the expiration of your *articles* with Mr. FLEETWOOD to have had redreſs, when he has always ſhewn the greateſt readineſs *not only* to do what was *meer Juſtice*, but what would any way contribute to your *Satisfaction*.

Nay the *Manager* from his *regard* to *you* dropt the performance of the BEGGAR'S OPERA, when he found removing you from the Part of *Polly*, was diſtateful to you: all diſputes were quiet concerning this affair, till the *Letter* in the *Gazeteer* revived and *made them publick.*

You ſay, *Madam*, it was not in your power according to the conditions of your *articles* to have refuſed the Part of *Lucy*, or any other: by *your articles* you indeed *could not:* yet if you pleaſe to recollect yourſelf, you may remember to have declared, you would rather *forfeit* thoſe *articles* than *ſubmit*, and would *alarm* the *Town* to *diſcountenance any perſon* who ſhould preſume to appear in any character you laid *claim* to. But this I ſuppoſe to have been only a momentary *Green-room* reſentment; for ſure you have more *prudence* than to forfeit your *articles*; more *Good natnre*, than to alarm the *Town* to diſcountenance any actreſs; and more *Good-ſenſe* than to imagine the *Town* would diſcountenance the *leaſt* merit for any *private chagrin:* yet, *Madam*, after ſuch a declaration, it was not the moſt *abſurd* thing to imagine the *Letter* in the *Gazeteer* was not wrote without your direction, or at leaſt privity.

But your unwillingneſs to give up *Polly*, did not you ſay ariſe from a jealouſy of Mrs. CIBBER's merit in that Part, but from having *ſeveral other Parts* demanded from *you*, for Mrs. CIBBER. If you would again recollect yourſelf, *Madam*, ſeveral Parts have not been demanded from *you* for Mrs. CIBBER. It was indeed propoſed (by the director) to a *Gentleman* who came to mediate this controverſy, that you ſhould ſtill keep your favourite Part of *Polly*, if you would conſent to let Mrs. CIBBER have ſome other,—and even this propoſal was without Mrs. CIBBER's knowledge or deſire. Nay, if *any Part of yours* was ever mentioned to Mrs. CIBBER when you were abſent, ſhe has *always begged to be excuſed the attempt* of it, from a particular *deference* to *your merit*, and a *ſtrict regard* to what *ſhe ſaid* to you on her firſt Eſſay; yet ſuch a condeſcenſion could not have made *you* leſs *uſeful* to the *Stage* (any more than *other performers* who have *quietly given way* to each other) or leſſened your *Salary*, which is equal to that of any Actreſs in the company: for from your happy talents in ſo many other Parts you can never be leſs uſeful, and while you have the ſame *merit*, you muſt always deſerve the ſame *Salary*. But ſo far from Mrs. CIBBER's having requeſted any Part of *yours*, or any other perſon's, *ſhe* has to *prevent contention declined* ſeveral, which (*by order*) ſhe had *ſtudied*, as ſoon as ſhe knew that thoſe who had before performed them, ſhewed an *unwillingneſs* to give them up, though *they* (like *you*) had a *multiplicity* of other *Parts.*

And here I muſt humbly intreat any Gentleman, who may think it worth his while, to ſay any thing of this ſubject, *no more to call this a Conteſt between two rival Actreſſes*, ſince Mrs. CIBBER *never pretended to rival any*, and heartily wiſhes Mrs. CLIVE only were to play *Polly:* Mrs. CIBBER, as far as is conſiſtent with her *duty* and *regard* to the *Town*, and the *Manager*, would ſtill decline performing it. She is conſcious, her *youth* and *inexperience* ſtand but in too much need of all the *candour* and *indulgence* of an *audience*, —— to run the hazard of provoking any, by appearing in a character, of which ſo good an Actreſs as Mrs. CLIVE, is tenacious, and at which conſequently, ſome of her friends may be diſobliged. I muſt farther beg leave to ſay, *Madam*, this *neither is, nor ever was*, a *conteſt* between Mrs. CLIVE and Mrs. CIBBER, but indeed, rather a *diſpute* between Mrs. CLIVE's *Will*, and the MANAGER's *Right.*

And now, *Madam*, having I hope, cleared Mrs. CIBBER from any inſinuation of her having been the *cauſe* of a *publick controverſy*, I wiſh as you do, that the publick *controverſy* will *ceaſe*; and that no *unknown friend* from a *falſe zeal* will keep up a diſpute which happened *behind* the *Scenes*, and which *behind* the *Scenes* only is proper to be determined. But yet I would not by this *Letter* exclude you from that privilege your *Sex* lays *claim* to, of having the laſt word in a debate; and as I cannot expect that *you*, who are ſo tenacious of *every right*, will give up the *claim* of ſo important a point, I have only to wiſh, that you may acquaint the *publick*, that this conteſt is ceaſed, as well *behind* the *Scenes*, as in the publick papers, which, *Madam*, will be a pleaſure to *him*, who is, and has ever endeavoured to ſhew himſelf.

Your friend and humble ſervant,

THEO. CIBBER.

P. S. It may not here be improper to declare, the *Letter* ſigned *A. Z. was not* (as ſome may have ſuggeſted) *wrote by me*: but as that Letter, in relation to *the facts* concerning the above-mentioned diſpute, contained nothing but truth; had I been the author of it, I ſhould have been neither afraid, nor aſhamed, to have owned it. *This* is, in Truth, the *firſt* and *only* Letter I have wrote on this Subject, which I had ſtill omitted, had not an inadvertent Promiſe to the Town, compelled me to it: nor can I eaſily expreſs, with what *Regret* I am *forced* to appear, in the Light of an Opponent to Mrs CLIVE; for *whoſe Merits*, I have ever had the *higheſt Eſteem*, and with whom, I and Mrs. CIBBER have ever wiſhed to be on a friendly Footing: and I *humbly* rely on the *Town's Candour* and *Humanity* to *pardon* my troubling *them* on this Occaſion.

To the Authors of the Grub-ſtreet Journal.

Gentlemen,

WHOEVER has compared the Tranſlation of P. DU HALDE's China (lately publiſh'd by Mr. WATTS) with the Original, will ſee that it has not been miſrepreſented in the ſeveral Advertiſements publiſhed from time to time in your Journal by Mr. CAVE; on the contrary, the imperfections are vaſtly greater than they are therein ſuggeſted. In ſhort, a greater impoſition in Literature hath not been pawmed on the publick theſe many years paſt, than this ſpurious performance; I call it an impoſition, not ſo much on account of its imperfections, as becauſe, at the ſame time, the Undertakers intended no more than an Abridgment. They endeavoured by their Advertiſements to make the publick believe, that it would be a complete Work, and contain all the Maps and Cuts, as well as the entire Text. So careful were they to hide from the publick, what they ought in common juſtice to have told them at firſt of their own accord; that tho' they were often called on by Mr. CAVE to explain themſelves on that head, yet they choſe rather to ſuffer under the laſh of a ſevere Criticiſm, than, by anſwering to diſcover a truth which they thought it would be for their intereſt to conceal. But however they may find their account in it as to profit, this I am ſure, that their management will turn very little to their credit.

As the merit of the Original conſiſts much in the Cuts, theſe Gentlemen in their Advertiſements have all along laid great ſtreſs on that article. But now it appears, that their 4 Volumes contain no more than 15 Plates which is not a 4th part of the number found in the French; and of thoſe 15 Plates, only 3 of them are Maps, whereof the Original contains 40 more; in effect, this Work is ſo far from comprizing the curious Surveys of the Jeſuits, which are the baſis of the whole deſign, that we meet with therein no more than one of the 5 general Maps of Mr. D'ANVILLE, which to make the number of their Maps three, they have divided into two. Now it hath been obſerved in Mr. CAVE's Propoſal, that Mr. *D'* ANVILLE's Maps differ not only from thoſe of the Jeſuits but from one another; and conſequently cannot give the Reader any juſt idea of that admirable performance of the Miſſionaries.

The Hiſtory itſelf has fared little better under the hands of Mr. WATTS's learned Tranſlators for ſeveral it ſeems were concerned in the Work, tho' no more than one hath thought fit to appear in the Title) not only large paragraphs and ſentences are retrenched in ſuch a manner, as to render the ſenſe unintelligible, but whole Chapters or articles, even of prime uſe, are omitted: inſomuch, that above one fourth of the whole is wanting in their Edition, which ought to be called an Abridgment, rather than a Tranſlation; and a mangled, caſtrated Work, rather than an Abridgment. They have uſhered it into the world ſo naked, that there is not an Index to any of the Volumes, nor ſo much as a Table of Errata, notwithſtanding no Books ever ſtood in more need of one.

They have had ſo little regard to accuracy, that they have tranſcribed all the proper names, (as well thoſe in uſe among ourſelves, as the Chineſe) without diſtinction, juſt as they ſtand in the Original. So that an Engliſh Reader will be as much at a loſs to know one diſguiſed in a French dreſs, as to pronounce the other. Inſtead of correcting the names miſ ſpelt in the Original, they have made innumerable miſtakes themſelves, nor have they ſo much as corrected thoſe few pointed out in Mr. CAVE's Propoſal.

The Tranſlation itſelf is very faulty; I could prove good part of my allegations with reſpect to the inaccuracy, as well as imperfection of the Work out of the two firſt pages. At the very beginning, we read that China is called *by the Tartar Mantcheoux Nican Courou, and by the Chineſe Tchong koué* Any one who is the leaſt verſed in the French, muſt needs know, that *les Tartares Mantcheoux* ought to be rendered *the Mantcheoux* (or rather *Manchew*) *Tartars*; and conſequently that *Tartar Mantcheoux*, is a corruption of the name, and mere jargon.

In the next place it ought to be written *Nican Couron*, or rather *Kûron*, which laſt word ſignifies a kingdom in the *Manchew* language. 'Tis true, it is printed *Courou* in the Original by miſtake, but it occurs ſo often otherwiſe, that if the Tranſlators had had the leaſt care or knowledge in the Geography of thoſe Countries, ſo groſs an error could not have eſcaped them.

You ſee, Gentlemen, by the words already mentioned, that they uſe the French Orthography, and I have produced the next words *Tchong koué*, to ſhew how very improper and inconvenient this cuſtom is, eſpecially with regard to the Chineſe language, whereof it gives an Engliſh Reader a very falſe idea; for ſcarce any body will take *koué* for a word of leſs than two ſyllables, and yet every body knows the Chineſe words are all monoſyllables. The Engliſh Orthography is *Chong-que*, which beſides being more accurate, is much more eaſily pronounced.

I ſhall now give a ſpecimen of the defects in the Tranſlation. The ſecond page begins thus. *But however that be, it is certain, that China is the largeſt and moſt beautiful kingdom yet known; for after we leave Europe, and enter the Countries bordering upon Africa, we ſeem as it were tranſported into another world.* If we conſider the reaſoning contained in theſe words, it will appear to be thus. — On entring the Countries bordering on Africa, we ſeem tranſported into another world; therefore China is the largeſt and moſt beauriful Country yet known. A ſtrange concluſion this! and not in the leaſt authorized by the Original, which runs thus *However that be, 'tis certain China is the largeſt and moſt beautiful kingdom known to us; for I will not take upon me to ſay, there is no polite nation to be found in the Terra Auſtralis, or ſome other unknown parts of the earth; ſince on paſſing only from Europe to the neareſt African coaſts, one ſeems to be landed on another world.*

'Tis eaſy to ſee from hence, that the abſurdity is occaſioned by leaving out 2 or 3 lines, and thereby tacking two parts of the ſentence together which have no immediate connection. Blunders of this ſort are frequent in Mr *Watts's* Edition. One half of the next paragraph, tho' very material, is omitted. Few pages are free from ſuch caſtrations. Theſe are the laudable methods made uſe of with deſign to ſupplant Mr. *Cave*, if poſſible, by underſelling him, after he had reduced his Edition to the loweſt price it was capable of, without injuring the Work as they have done, or elſe being a ſufferer himſelf.

But it is not my deſign to enter farther at preſent into particulars; I may however, trouble you with another Letter on the ſame ſubject, if you think fit to give this a place in your Paper. I am, Gentlemen,

Your humble ſervant,

P. L.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

DP. *Daily Poſt.* | LP. *London Daily Poſt.*
DJ. *Daily Journal.* | G. *Daily Gazetteer.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Dec.* 2. Laſt night their royal highneſſes the Prince and Princeſſes of Wales were at the Theatre royal in Covent-garden, to ſee the Opera call'd Porus. *G.*

Yeſterday Mr. Humphrey Drew, jun. was appointed keeper of the Town-court of Weſtminſter. ——— And Mr. Auchterlef cryer. *LP.*

The right hon. the Earl of Orkney lies ſo dangerouſly ill at Bath, that it occaſioned a report of his Lordſhip's death. *LP.* —— *And a long account of his family, &c. in the* LP.

From Nottingham we hear, that a certain ſtocking-maker's wife, ſuſpecting an amorous intrigué between her husband and a female ſervant, caught them in their amorous embraces; and concealing her reſentment, went to bed as uſual with her husband; but watching her opportunity when he was aſleep, ſhe burnt his privities to that degree, that his life is deſpair'd of; for which ſhe was committed to priſon. *DP.*

Died, on thurſday, John Bacon, of Staward in Northumberland, Eſq; *DP. DA. LP.* —— On ſunday, near Warminſter in Wilts, Francis Barford, Eſq; *G.* ——— On tueſday, near Red-lion-ſtreet, Tho. Dunn Brewit, Eſq; aged 100 years wanting but 2 days; who had his ſenſes to the laſt. *DJ.*

FRIDAY, *Dec.* 3. Yeſterday the right hon. Arthur Onſlow, Eſq; was choſen High Steward of the Corporation of Kenſington, in the room of Edw. Harvey, Eſq; deceas'd. *DJ.*—*Here are only two ſmall miſtakes:* Kenſington *for* Kingſton; *and* the right hon. *perſon* was *not* choſen.

It is confidently reported, that a certain great See will be put into a coadjutorſhip on his Majeſty's return from Hanover. ——— We hear, that a great Deanry, a great officer of State, and 2 commiſſions of Colonels, will be reſign'd ſoon after his Majeſty's arrival. *DJ.*

Yeſterday Mr. Bubb, Mr. Teping, and Mr. Goodin, Diſtillers, were found guilty and fined 100 l each, &c. *G.* —— The ſame day a running Diſtiller was committed to Bridewell for 2 months, for retailing Gin. *LP.* — One Hughes, a labourer was committed. *DJ.*

Married on ſunday, at Hampton-court, Geo. Robinſon, Eſq; to Miſs Hammel, of Sunbury, a very beautiful young lady, and a good fortune. *G.* —— Yeſterday, at S. Paul's, Mr. Will. Belchier, an eminent banker of Lombard ſtreet, to Miſs Ironſide, a young lady of great beauty and merit; and a very conſiderable fortune. *DA.*

Died on Nov. 22. at Aix in Provence, Sir Edw. Deſbouverie, of Langford in Wiltſhire, and is ſucceeded by his ſon now Sir Jacob. *DA.* —— He had a fit of the gout in his foot, which advancing to his head, carried him off in half an hour. *DP.* —— He had no iſſue, and is ſucceeded in dignity and eſtate about 4000 l. per ann. by his brother now Sir Jacob, &c. *LP.* —— Yeſterday of the ſmall-pox, in New Bond-ſtreet, ... Collet, Eſq; *DA.*

Laſt monday evening ..... Newbourn, of Clarges-ſtreet, Piccadilly, Eſq; fell down ſtairs and fractur'd his ſkull, and died next day. *DP.*

SATURDAY, *Dec.* 4. The Ring in Hide park being quite diſus'd by the Quality and Gentry, we hear that the ground will be taken in for enlarging the royal gardens at Kenſington in the next ſpring. *LP.*

Yeſterday the hon. Sir Will Stanhope ſet out for his country ſeat in the county of Bucks. *DJ.*—My Brethren *lately* ſet *him* out *for a much* longer journey.

Yeſterday evening was acted by the King's ſcholars of Weſtminſter ſchool, in the Dormitory, before a large audience of young noblemen and gentlemen, Terence's *Eunuchus*, which was perform'd with great applauſe. *DA.*

Yeſterday came on, at Kingſton upon Thames, the election for High Steward of that corporation; but ſome diſputes ariſing, it appeared that the *Court candidate* was neither a *freeman* of the town nor a *free tenant* of the manor; upon which the Charter was called for; but a certain party pretending it was loſt or miſlaid, the Bailiffs thought proper to adjourn the Court to another opportunity, when 'tis not doubted but Michael Harvey, Eſq; a worthy gentleman in the *Country intereſt*, will be choſen in the room of his father, who enjoyed that honour till his death. *DP.*

We hear that on tueſday morning Mr. Paulet, a very noted and wealthy maltſter, returning from Rocheſter to Graveſend, was robb'd by 2 highwaymen of 46 l. and a ſilver watch, who tied his legs under his horſe's belly, &c. and then rode off. *G.*

Married on monday, Phil. Venables, of Great Billing in Northamptonſhire, Eſq; to Mrs. Martha Gibbs, relict of the late Tho. Gibbs, Eſq; *DA.* —— On thurſday, Mr. Will. Ford, an eminent attorney in Baſinghall-ſtreet, to Miſs Ann Chivers, a very agreeable gentlewoman, with 3000 l. *DP. DA.*

Died yeſterday in Bartholomew-lane behind the Royal Exchange, Mr. Taverner, an eminent money ſcrivener. *DP. LP.* —— Tavernor, who had acquired a large fortune. *DA.*

MONDAY, *Dec.* 6. On friday Mr. Moſtyn, brother to Tho. Moſtyn, Eſq; member for Flintſhire, kiſs'd her Majeſty's hand, on his being made a Captain of a company in Brig. Handaſyde's regiment of foot. *LP.*

'Tis ſaid, Mr. Jackſon is appointed clerk of the ſtables to his Majeſty, in the room of Mr. Maybank, deceas'd. *DA. G.*

We hear that Jacob Riley, of Dublin, Eſq; is appointed one of his Majeſty's privy council for the Kingdom of Ireland. *DA.*

On friday Sam. Duncombe was convicted by the Rulers of the Watermen's Company, before Juſtice Nicholas, for working in a boat and carrying paſſengers by water on the Lord's day, not being licenſed, &c. and committed to the houſe of correction for 14 days *G.*

On friday laſt, ſeven ſailors belonging to the St. Peter of Amſterdam from Cadiz, the great Dutch ſhip that was caſt away on the coaſt of Suſſex, the 24th of laſt month, richly laden with Spaniſh wool and pieces of eight, came to town to make complaint of the barbarity of the Peaſants who came down upon them, and in defiance of all the oppoſition they and the Cuſtom-houſe Officers could make, plunder'd and carried off great quantities of their treaſure; that otherwiſe they could have ſaved the beſt part of their cargoe. —— A moſt inhuman cuſtom, ſtrongly prevalent all along the coaſt; thoſe wretches, that inſtead of affording relief to their fellow creatures in the utmoſt diſtreſs, ſhould at that inſtant of time take the opportunity to ſpoil and rob them of what little the more merciful waves had thrown back, deſerve the ſevereſt puniſhment. *LP.* —— We hear, that a Bill will be offered the next Parliament for making the ſame felony. *G.*

Married on ſaturday, at Oxford chapel, Will. Bridges, of Pall-mall, Eſq; to Mrs. Weſton, relict of the late Geo. Weſton, Eſq; ——— Yeſterday at Conduit-ſtreet chapel, Geo. Newton, of Ware, Eſq; to Miſs Clifton, of Stafford. *G.*

Died on thurſday at Hampſtead, Rich. Houlditch, Eſq; formerly a woollen-draper in Lombard-ſtreet, where he had acquir'd a handſome fortune, but being one of the South-ſea directors, in the fatal year 1720, he was deprived of the chief of his eſtate. His inventory, as deliver'd into the Houſe, being 39,527 l. 10 s. 4 d. and the parliament gave him 5000 l. ſo that he loſt 34,527 l. 10 s. 4 d. he afterwards fell to ſugar baking, and is reckon'd to have died very rich. *LP.* —— On ſaturday at Greenwich, Capt. Collyer, Commander of the Fubbs yacht. *DP. G.*

TUESDAY, *Dec.* 7. The Court of Directors of the Eaſt-India Company have appointed Will. Johnſon, Cha. Lockyer and Will. Boothby, Eſqrs; Factors at India; and Meſſ. James Briggs, Rog. Drake, Tho. Byfield, Hugh Bidewell, Tho. Hodges, Char. Manningham, Rob. Caſar, Danvers Greaves, Sam. Affleck, Sam. Roper, Edw. Holden Cruttendon, Rich. Edwards, Rob. Goodere, Will. Nicholls, Pheſant Criſpe, George Pigott, Will. Wells, to be writers to the Factories. *DA.*

On friday Rich. Lloyd, Eſq; was elected Recorder of the borough of Orford, and Sir Char. Turner, &c. were admitted and ſworn free Burgeſſes. *G.*

Yeſterday in the Court of King's bench came on a Cauſe, wherein one Mr. Clark was Plaintiff, and a Pawnbroker Defendant, on an action brought againſt the latter for receiving 2 s. 6 d. intereſt for 5 l. for a month, and was found guilty and ordered to pay the fine accordingly. *DP.*

Cambridge, *Dec.* 4. On thurſday laſt Mr. Bromley, Mr. Fran. Shepherd, Mr. Samuel Shepherd, attended by many other country gentlemen, of which not more than two were voters, viſited the freemen of this town in the intereſt of Mr. Gil. Afflick, a Suffolk gentleman, and an Indian; but we are inform'd, they met with little encouragement, notwithſtanding the application of ſome Aldermen, who baſhfully walk'd at ſome diſtance, before and behind, to ſhew them the proper houſes to call at; and in the evening they all appear'd, by the leave of the Mayor at the Town-hall; but the bonfire they had prepar'd was ſoon extinguiſh'd, and the people to attend it were in a very little time compell'd to leave the place, and ſeveral barrels of beer, there fix'd for their rejoicing, were taken as plunder by an oppoſite party for Sir John Hind Cotton and Mr. D. Askham, a gentleman of merit and fortune within the county, whoſe intereſt, at preſent, is greatly ſuperior to Mr. Afflick's, and, without the imminent danger of bribery, muſt ſucceed. *DA.*

Married on thurſday, at S. Albans, Rich. Manvell, Eſq; to Miſs Brewſton, a beautiful young lady with 8000 l. *DJ.* ——— On ſaturday at Oxford chapel, John Bridges of Cobham, Eſq; to the agreeable widow Weſtern, of George-ſtreet, Hanover-ſquare. *DA.* ——— At Harrow on the Hill, Phil. Sampſon, Eſq; to Miſs Wade, an heireſs of 14,000 l. fortune. *G.*

Died, on ſunday, near Dover-ſtreet, Char. Wiſeman, Eſq; *DJ.* ——— Yeſterday morning at Richmond, in her 94th year, the Lady Jane Alexford, relict of Sir John, of Durham *DA.*

WEDNESDAY, *Dec.* 8. Yeſterday about 3 her Majeſty, his royal highneſs the Duke, &c. came from Kenſington to S. James's for the remainder of the winter-ſeaſon. *DP.* ——— The ſame day, being the birth-day of her royal highneſs the Princeſs Louiſa, who enter'd into her 13th year, her Majeſty receiv'd the compliments, &c. *DP. G.*

The ſame day the lamps were removed from the old road to the new one in Hyde-park, which is now finiſh'd according to the plan, entirely to the ſatisfaction of the Court. *DP. DA.*—My Brother LP. removed *theſe* lamps *above a week ago, which ſtill ſtand where they did; and ſeveral perſons were at work on* the new road, *this very day.*

Yeſterday Mr. Nixon was found guilty of writing, printing, and publiſhing that ſcandalous Libel that was diſperſed in Weſtminſter-hall, &c. the trial of Mr. Spittle was put off. *DP. DA. LP.* ——— Comes on at the Old Bailey, where the ſeſſions begins to day. *DJ.*

On monday night arrived from Madrid, Mr. Crimble, the South-ſea Company's meſſenger, who went thither to ſollicit for the ſchedule, &c. and has return'd without any ſucceſs; and as we hear, the Court of Spain will not grant the ſame without a very large equivolent from the Company. *DA. DJ.*

Yeſterday John Uſker, chemiſt, Rob. Briggs, diſtiller, together with Cha. Bennet, John Hoare, John Thompſon, Tho. Vander-Pell, Eliz. Comber, and Mary Basket, were convicted in the penalty of 100 l. each, for retailing ſpirituous liquors. *LP.*

They write from Suſſex, that they have a very numerous and ſplendid appearance of nobility and perſons of diſtinction at the Duke of Newcaſtle's ſeat at Halland; and that particularly the Duke of Richmond, the Earl of Eſſex, &c. take the diverſion of hunting every day with his Grace, who according to his uſual magnificence, keeps open houſe for the whole County. *LP.* ——The Duke *is not gone to his* ſeat at Halland; *neither has he* kept open houſe, *in my* Brother's *ſenſe, there, or any where elſe in that County, for ſeveral years.*

Oxf. Dec. 5. This morning 6 gentlemen of Univer-

fity College ſet out for Portſmouth, in order to be dipt in the ſalt water, having been lately bitten by a mad dog; tho' it is thought that 2 of them received the wound ſo long ago, that they will not receive any benefit by it. *DA.*

Married on ſunday, Tho. Vernon, of the Middle-Temple, Eſq; to Miſs Nicol of Hendon, a very agreeable young lady, and heireſs to 500 l. per ann. *DP.*

Died on friday ſuddenly, in a boat on the Thames, Mr. John Harford, ſenior cornmeter of this city. *DA.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

To the Society of GRUB-STREET.

Gentlemen,

IT being inſerted on thurſday laſt in your † Paper, that Dr. Lewis of Kew had been under Dr. Taylor's care for a diſorder in his ſight without ſucceſs, I beg leave, by the means of your Paper, to acquaint the publick, that this report, like many others, is ſo notoriouſly falſe, that Dr. Lewis was never under Dr. Taylor's care.—This barbarous uſage of the Doctor has induced me to recommend the following Queſtions to his enemies of the faculty, it being preſum'd that ſome of them are the authors of this and many other aſperſions.

Queſtion 1. Whether there are any amongſt them who have had a more regular education, or who have taken more pains to render themſelves uſeful in their profeſſion?

Queſtion 2. Whether there are, or ever were any, who have had ſo great a ſhare of practice; and whether it is not reaſonable to ſuppoſe that he muſt thereby have had greater opportunities of improving himſelf than any man now living?

Queſtion 3. Whether his having taken his degree of Doctor of Phyſick from a Univerſity of the firſt reputation in a moſt regular and honouable manner, and his being Fellow of the Colleges of Phyſicians of ſeveral Univerſities, ought not to command at leaſt ſo much of their eſteem, as to ſecure him from their making ſuch baſe attempts on his character?

Queſtion 4. Whether his making no ſecret of any branch of his profeſſion, and his readineſs to inſtruct any of them in whatever they are pleaſed to require of him, are not the ſtrongeſt proofs of his capacity, as well as his candour and integrity?

Queſtion 5. Whether there are any amongſt them that can produce one inſtance of a perſon of any conſideration, out of the many he is well known to have been concern'd for, (whatever may have happen'd to ſome few out of the multitude of poor he daily aſſiſts, and whoſe circumſtances might have prov'd the greateſt bar to their ſucceſs) in whoſe caſe he has not ſucceeded equal to what he ever gave ſuch perſon hopes to expect: nay, whether ſome, even of the firſt rank, have not of late been recover'd by his aſſiſtance, after having been long under their care, and left as irrecoverable?

If it ſhall appear by any plain proofs that ſhall be given in anſwer to theſe Queries, that any aſſertion in them is falſe, even his friends for the future will no longer regard this ſort of treatment of him as the effect of common envy, but will then agree with his adverſaries, that it is a ſervice done to the publick.

I am, Gentlemen, your humble ſervant, S. S.

We are aſſur'd, that if the Hoſpital propos'd for the aſſiſtance of a certain number of blind perſons be erected, Dr. Taylor, who will have the care of them, will not return to France next ſummer, as we have mention'd, but will continue to reſide wholly in London.——The ſeveral preparations that were neceſſary to enable him to give his aſſiſtance to a much greater number of poor people, in leſs time than uſual, are now completely finiſh'd, at his houſe in Suffolk-ſtreet; where all perſons of inferior circumſtances, that will attend him about ten in the morning on mondays and fridays, may continue to be furniſh'd with the neceſſaries for the removal of their ſeveral diſorders of ſight without expence.——This undertaking of the Doctor's, 'tis preſum'd, will be attended with the following advantages:

Firſt, All perſons being permitted to be preſent, thoſe who are curious may be eye-witneſſes of his ſucceſs.——Secondly, As he pretends to no ſecrets in his profeſſion, every Gentleman who is deſirous to render himſelf uſeful in the ſcience he profeſſes, may be furniſh'd with advantages the moſt neceſſary to his improvement. —— And laſtly, The poor being no longer under the neceſſity o ſubmitttng to the ordinary aſſiſtance, may be ſecur'd fromf that miſerable ſituation ſo great a number of them are daily expos'd to.—That this undertaking may be render'd ſtill more uſeful, certain days will be ſet apart for giving regular Lectures before proper perſons on the diſorders of ſight, and for making the operations neceſſary to their removal. —The plates deſign'd for his new Treatiſe on the Anatomy and Supplies of the Eye, for which the publication of that work has been ſo long deferr'd, are now finiſh'd.

† N. B. *This was aſſerted in a Letter ſigned* R. S. *which we deſired the Writer ſoon to confirm under his real name; otherwiſe we ſhould conclude it to be falſe.*

Since our laſt we have received *Letters* from A. B. PHARMACOPOLA RUSTICUS, and PHILO PAUPERIS, *A Diſſertation on Shackling*, a *Latin Diſtich*, by SIMON LOVE WIT, and a Copy of Verſes *to the* OCCASIONAL PROMPTER, *who in reality is one of the late Authors of the late* Prompter, *by* T. G.

We ſhall inſert all true Contradictions to the Daily News, which ſhall be ſent us.

We had not room for the ſhort Account of Mr. CURL's *Memoirs of Mr.* KELLY, which contain only five pages of new Matter unpubliſhed before, and that of no importance,

FOREIGN NEWS.

SATURDAY, *Dec.* 4. The ſeveral conferences which the Duke of Berwick has lately had with the Pope, the Duke of St. Aignan, and at Albano, together with his going to Naples when it was apprehended he was deſign'd for Vienna, has occaſion'd a report, that the King of the two Sicilies has a deſign upon the Iſland of Corſica, and will diſpoſe of it in favour of the Pretender. *DA.*

We hear nothing concerning the Lord Theodore ſince his landing at Leghorn; but the Corſican Malecontents, according to letters from Genoa of the 17th, having found out a way to manufacture their own arms, gunpowder, and ſalt, are ſo elevated, that they have broke off all intercourſe with the Genoeſe; and 'tis no leſs than immediate dated and confiſcation of goods, for any one of their party to liſten any more to the propoſals of the Republick. *DJ.*

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